

## Press Release

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It is time for Halloween, and kids are excited. They will be getting dressed up in costumes and tricky-or-treating for candy. This is an exciting time. But it is important that we take some time before the event to make safety our primary concern. This year plan their route and know where they are going. Make sure your kids know they need to check in with you frequently, provide them with a cell phone or some means to check in with you continually, or to contact you immediately

in an emergency. Explain to them that many people will be out and staying with their group is important. Know who they are going with, and make sure you go over the rules of safety about staying out of the street, watching for traffic at intersections, not getting into strangers cars or talking to them, not being tempted to get into mischief like egging a house or breaking pumpkins, and watching what they eat. Talk to your children. We as adults know the dangers but we can never take for granted our children understand what they must do to enjoy a safe Halloween. I have attached a link here for your information ... a Halloween Safety Guide. (http://www.halloween-safety.com/) Take a minute to visit the site for some great safety tips. You will be glad you did!

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